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DEPT. PASS: DHEW/OHDS/RSA- - DR. MARTIN E.MCCAVITT

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SUBJECT: DHEW/OHDS/RSA/SFCP- INTERCHANGE OF EXPERTS, MINISTRY OF LABOR
TEAM

1. MR. GHULAM HUSSAIN, DIRECTOR GENERAL, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING,
MINISTRY OF LABOR CALLED SCICOUNS' OFFICE CONCERNING THE U.S. VISIT O
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A 3-MEMBER TEAM OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOR. HE STATED THAT IN
RESPONSE TO SCICOUNS' LETTERS ON FOLLOW UP OF DR. GARRETT AND MR.
ENGSTROM'S MEETING WITH THE MINISTER OF LABOR, MR. RAVINDRA
VARMAN THE MINISTER AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE MINISTRY OFFICIALS
HAS FINALLY DECIDED NOT TO NOMINTE THE THIRD MEMBER FOR THE PROPOSED
MINISTRY OF LABORE TEAM TO VISIT U.S. UNDER RSA SPONSORSHIP. HE
ADDED OFF THE RECORD, THAT THE MINISTRY FEELS THAT TANEJA CAN NOT
BE SPARED AT THIS CRUCIAL TIME WHEN HIS PRESENCE IS REQUIRED IN
CONNECTION WITH THE INDIAN PARLIAMENT WORK. HE SUGGESTED THAT TANEJA
COULD VISIT THE US LATER AT ANY OTHER SUITABLE TIME.
HUSSAIN IS CONFIRMING THIS DECISION OF THE MINISTRY OF LABORE
IN A LETTER TO SCICOUNS.

2. HUSSAIN REQUESTED THAT THE PROPOSED 3-WEEK US VISIT OF THE
2-MEMBER TEAM OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOR SHOULD BE ARRANGED TO
START BY MID SEPTEMBER, IF POSSIBLE. HE STATED THAT MRS.
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NAMA BHAT, THE SECOND MEMBER OF THE TAM HAS TO RETURN TO
BOMBAY BY MID OCTOBER TO ATTEND TO ANOTHER VERY IMPORTANT
ACTIVITY OF NASEOH IN WHICH THE PRIME MINISTER IS INTERESTED.
ALSO, MRS. BHAT HAS PLANS TO SPEND ON HER OWN ON THE WAY BACK
FROM THE US, A WEEK IN DENMARK, GERMANY AND THE UNITED
ARAB EMIRATES ON A NASEOH ASSIGNMENT. SHE WILL REQUIRE AN
OPEN TICKET FOR THE RETURN JOURNEY.

3. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES WE RECOMMEND CONTRARY TO OUR EARLIER MESSAGE, THAT THE MINISTRY OF LABOR TEAM'S US VISIT BE SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE ON OR ABOUT SEPTEMBER 15. PLEASE AIR-POUCH LETTERS OF INVITATION FOR THE TEAM MEMBERS AND INFORM US BY TELEGRAM AND NOT BY AN AIRGRAM, FISCAL DATA AND ITINERARY DETAILS SO THAT WE CAN MAKE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS ACCORDINGLY.

4. WE WILL APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION IN PROCESSING AN EARLY US VISIT OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOR.
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